

STATE OF MINNESOTA
IN SUPREME COURT

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**OFFICE OF
APPELLATE COURTS**

In Re Petition for Disciplinary Action
against Karlowba R. Adams Powell, Minnesota
Attorney, Registration No. 0327335.

MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE

TO: Susan M. Humiston, Director of the Office of Lawyers Professional Responsibility, 1500 Landmark Towers, 345 St. Peter Street, St. Paul, MN 55102-1218, and Binh T. Tuong, Assistant Director, Office of Lawyers Professional Responsibility, 1500 Landmark Towers, 345 St. Peter Street, St. Paul, MN 55102-1218.

Respondent Karlowba Adams Powell through her counsel, Bobby Joe Champion, moves the Court for an Order providing a new 120-day timeline pursuant to M.S.A. section 3.16 for the following reasons:

1. The current hearing is scheduled during the Minnesota legislative session.
2. I, Bobby Joe Champion, am also a Minnesota State Senator.
3. I will be in session on the hearing date in this matter and have a legislative conflict.
4. The legislative session ends on May 20, 2019. However, the legislature could be called for a special session.
5. The Board has indicated that they would need 2-3 days to put on their case. This does not include the time Respondent would need to put on her defense. This would require me to be available for chunks of days during the legislative session, which is in direct conflict with my ability to honor my commitment as a legislator.
6. Respondent has been notified of a new Board Complaint that is in its infancy and has not yet been determined.
7. Respondent will be providing an Answer and the Board will continue to investigate this new Complaint to determine whether the new allegations are credible enough to go forward or lacking in substance and therefore dismissed.
8. In the interest of judicial economy, Respondent would like to litigate all matters at one time, as the new allegations seem to be during the same time period considered in this Petition.
9. A continuance would not only serve to protect the rights of my client, who's license is under review, but also allow the Board to investigate the new allegations and make a determination as to how they wish to proceed.
10. If the Board determines that the new allegations have substance, the current Petition would have to be amended and we would have to adjust to litigate that issue as well.
11. A continuance would provide Respondent time to properly litigate this matter with limited

12. Respondent has been advised and agrees to continue this matter.

WHEREFORE, Respondent Powell requests this Court to assign a new 120-day timeline and set the hearing/trial in this matter on a date after May 20,, 2019 pursuant to M.S.A. section 3.16.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 25, 2019

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